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"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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His Bountiful Care

The stars looking down from the heights of the night
Whisper ever of God's constant power and might.
The sun riding forth with the strength of the day
Declares the Creator is mindful for aye.
The trees with their spires point always above,
While the birds in their branches are warbling God's love,
And the wonderwork daily in meadow and field
Allures to continual thanks for their yield.
So full to o'erflowing, so fresh every morn—
How can we, God's children, be sad and forlorn?
Wherever I look, countless blessings I see,
And they beckon my thoughts to our Lord's constancy.
'Tis omnipotent power, with a Father's great love,
That so graciously wings our affections above.
Ah, we cannot keep silent, for mighty our King,
And our hearts' adoration the offering we bring.
Though the seraphs give homage forever on high,
Still he yearns for our song from his throne in the sky,
And his quick ear discerns when one voice ceases praise
For his bountiful care that encircles our days.

—Worthie Harris Holden.

With the Men Behind the Books

Publishing House Notes

Our 1917 Catalog of Publications is now being prepared and will be ready in a short time. Send to your tract society for a copy, as it contains a number of important changes.

A cement floor and some new cupboards for tracts, blanks, and other supplies of a similar nature have just been put into the original part of our shipping department.

Recently our superintendent, Mr. W. A. Harvey, made a trip to St. Louis in connection with the purchase of some new machinery for our bindery.

A recent letter from Brother A. F. Harrison states that fifty-three students joined the colporteurs' band of the Southwestern Junior College at the first meeting.

Miss Jessie Elliott is a recent addition to our Publishing House family, having been assigned work in the manufacturing department. Miss Jessie is a daughter of Elder W. R. Elliott and a graduate of Hazel Academy.

Mr. Shaen Magan, who has been acting as assistant in the *Watchman* Circulation Department, resigned a few days ago in order to take the medical course. He is now in Memphis, doing some preparatory work at the University of Tennessee.

The work in our bindery has so increased of late that we have found it necessary to call in one of our former employees, Mrs. Lee McAlexander. Mrs. McAlexander is an experienced worker, and we are glad to have her with us again.

Mr. Paul N. Pearce, of *The Watchman* editorial staff, attended the third quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, which was held at St. Louis,

Mo., December 6-11. A report of this meeting prepared by Mr. Pearce will appear in an early issue of *The Watchman Magazine*.

A few days since, one of our boys, Mr. Jesse Dortch, left the employ of the Publishing House in order to continue his studies at Beechwood Academy, Fairland, Ind. Jesse has been one of our faithful workers for a number of years, and as he leaves us to better fit himself for the work, our best wishes go with him.

The Nashville young people's society, under the supervision of Prof. L. H. Wood, is taking a lively interest in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. The goal set for the society was \$200, which was passed some days ago. The weekly meetings of this society are held in the Publishing House chapel.

A new book by Elder Carlyle B. Haynes entitled "The Christian Sabbath; Is It Saturday or Sunday" has just come from the press. This is an illustrated book of 128 pages and is a companion volume to "The Other Side of Death" by the same author. The prices of "The Christian Sabbath" are 50 cents for the cloth and 25 cents for the paper cover, less fifty per cent discount in lots of ten or more. All orders should be placed through the conference tract society as usual. At the present time the type is being set on another book by Elder Haynes, entitled "The Return of Jesus." This, however, will not be ready for some little time.

Mr. L. L. Lawrence, formerly field secretary of the Cumberland Conference, has accepted the foremanship of our bindery and has already entered upon his new duties. Brother Lawrence is an experienced book-binder, having been connected for nearly twelve years with the old Review & Herald office in Battle Creek. We are pleased when those who connect with the institution have had a practical field experience, as we find that this helps them to realize more fully the importance of the printed page and the great work to which the facilities of this office are dedicated.

A publishing and home missionary convention for the three southern unions comprising the territory of the Southern Publishing Association is to be held at Nashville, January 12 to 21. At this convention it is expected that the conference presidents, tract society secretaries, field secretaries, and home missionary secretaries will be present. From Washington we hope to have with us Elders I. H. Evans, G. B. Thompson, W. W. Eastman, F. W. Paap, and Meade MacGuire, also Miss E. M. Graham. The meetings will be held in the Publishing House chapel.

About the first of November the Mississippi Tract Society sent us a check for \$1,800 on account, while on Thanksgiving morning we were given a very pleasant surprise by receiving from Brother Marshall a special delivery letter containing a check for \$2,150. In writing of this, Brother Marshall stated: "The money has been coming in very well. One of our colored girls in the Delta sent in almost \$500 yesterday, overpaying her account with the exception of the last shipment of books which she had not received at that time." This shows something of what is being accomplished this year in the book work in Mississippi.

It has already been announced in these columns that during the month of October Louisiana delivered a thousand dollars' worth more books than that State delivered during the entire twelve months of last year. In writing of this, Brother Boswell says:

"Our report for October shows 1,189 'Bible Readings' delivered, or 237,800 sermons preached in the homes of the people of Louisiana. There will be quite a good delivery for November also. Besides, I think that we will have a good Christmas delivery. Surely God has been with us in a marked way, and we praise him for what he has done for us."

The wonderful progress that the book work is making in Mississippi, Louisiana, and some of our other conferences, is only an example of what can be accomplished in this work with the Lord's help.

The January issue of *The Watchman Magazine* appears in a new size and dress. From "The Editor's Personal Page" we take the following paragraph:

"With the first issue of the new year, *The Watchman Magazine* makes its bow to the public in a new dress. Prior to the year 1909 *The Watchman* was a weekly paper. The change to magazine form in that year was a decided step in advance, and we are confident that the present change is one which marks further progress in the direction of making an interesting, up-to-date, and valuable publication. We leave our readers to decide on this point, but we are confident their verdict will be in the affirmative."

A number of new features are being added which, we believe, will make the magazine all the more interesting and attractive the coming year. However, the subscription price will remain the same, viz., \$1 per year. R. L. PIERCE.

Thanksgiving at the Southern Junior College

We are sure that we are expressing the sentiments of all who were present Thanksgiving Day at Collegedale when we say that it was one of the most enjoyable days spent since school started. Because of the amount of work to be done in getting things in readiness for the school and also because of the desire to complete the year's work if possible by the first of June, very little time has been given to social pleasure. Most of the Saturday nights have been spent in the preparation of Monday's lessons.

Breakfast was served an hour later than usual, and at the morning worship the attention of the students was called to what Thanksgiving should mean to the Christian.

After breakfast the regular program of domestic and industrial work was carried on until one o'clock, and then every one met in the dining room where Mrs. Thorne and her corps of workers had prepared a delicious Thanksgiving dinner. It was served on the American plan with every one seated at one long table. The dinner was all that could be asked for and was thoroughly enjoyed.

Immediately after dinner every one adjourned to the campus for an interesting program of games. Such games as Three Deep, Dare Base, Drop the Handkerchief, etc., were played. Darkness came all too soon, but the chores must be done, so we ended the outdoor exercises.

At 6:45 p. m. we all came to the chapel where an interesting exercise was held in the form of an old fashioned "Spell Down." Miss Addie Mae Kalar and Miss Sadie Rogers were leaders. After spelling against each other for a time we spelled down, and Miss Kalar proved herself to be the best speller in school. After the "Spell Down" Professor Adams and his music pupils favored us with a musical program. At 9:15 p. m. all went home feeling that they had spent a day of profitable recreation.

"It is much easier to be critical than correct."

Annual Report of the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute and the Rural Sanitarium

(Concluded)

MEDICAL MISSIONARY WORK

Already reference has been made to the addition to the original sanitarium buildings. This addition has enlarged the capacity for patients. We have also used Gotzian Health Home this summer for regular patients. The institution has cared for as many as thirty-two patients at one time, which is a considerable increase over past years. The total number of patients for the past year is 260. We have the cooperation of the leading physicians of Nashville and surrounding cities, and our experience with them has been most pleasant.

Four ladies from last year's nurses' class remained in Nashville to develop the city medical missionary work. Each nurse was allowed eighty cents a day and expenses. Earnings above this were put into a fund to be used exclusively for medical missionary work. A nurse doing charity work still received eighty cents a day, being paid from this fund. The plan proved very satisfactory, and the young women who had part in this work are enthusiastic over it. It gives them an opportunity to distribute literature, to help the unfortunate sick who are unable to pay, and it opens the way for various forms of Christian help work.

We have the cooperation of some of the best physicians in the city, who appreciate our willingness to take care of patients who are not able to hire a nurse. Again, there are people who can be greatly benefited if they receive one treatment a day, and they are able to pay for that when they could not employ a full nurse. A nurse sometimes cares for several such patients at one time. We were unable to continue this line of medical missionary work in the city during the summer, because Miss Dittes was advised to leave the sanitarium for several months' rest. Miss Brown and Miss Wallace, who had been working in the city, kindly consented to help the Rural Sanitarium during the summer. We are preparing for a lively campaign during the coming year. The nurses' course has been lengthened one year, which will give practically every nurse an opportunity for some experience in field work next year.

DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE

The institution carries on a certain amount of extension work, and has been active in the distribution of literature. We have scattered approximately one hundred thousand pages of books and leaflets during the year.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

There are large possibilities for Sunday-school work, public meetings, and conferences in this neighborhood, but our limited number of teachers and workers and the large number of guests to be cared for during the past year has restricted most of that work to our own place. Health lectures are given once a week at the sanitarium. Religious services are held Friday evenings in addition to the daily morning worship for the patients. Many of the guests attend Sabbath school and Sabbath services in Gotzian Hall. They are welcome to all our meetings, and there is seldom a Sabbath that does not see several members of the sanitarium family in the audience.

FINANCIAL PROBLEMS OF THE YEAR AND HOW THEY WERE MET

The number of improvements mentioned shows that it has been a year of heavy expense to the institution. The new operating room has been furnished by Mrs. Robert Scott, but aside from this, practically all of these improvements have been made from the institution's earnings during the past eight years. The free or charity work and discounts given by the sanitarium during the past year amount to \$2,798. A large per cent of our students pay their school expenses by work, and the institution has paid them in the form of wages approximately \$13,000. While this indicates sacrifice on the part of the faculty, it has been a great blessing to the students. The institution donated

one thousand dollars to the medical college at Loma Linda.

SUCCESSSES TO BE FOLLOWED UP

Naturally the management has given considerable serious thought to changes in operation which will better the institution and increase its capacity for usefulness. The faculty has every reason to be thankful for the general good health of the school family, and the blessings "in basket and store" which the year has brought.

It has been found necessary to exercise great caution in admitting students who are unqualified to enter a training school. We have been persuaded again and again, against our better judgment, to accept boys and girls on the recommendation of their parents, because they were unable to meet cash expenses in other schools, while we offer work and free tuition. Some of this class need to be disciplined, and they need instruction which we cannot give and at the same time maintain our training school standards. It is the policy to reduce the number of this class. Hereafter, students who are found not to be in harmony with the principles of the school or who require extra help in matters of discipline, will be charged \$5 a month tuition, and a guardian will be placed over them.

VISITORS

It is impossible to enumerate the visitors of the year. The institution has been favored with a large number, several of whom have contributed very materially to our happiness and educational development. The work has been recognized by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination and the school listed as one of their training schools. Last fall Dr. McBrien spent the day, and his lecture will long be remembered. His appreciation of the training of teachers and nurses was expressed in the following words: "You young people who are learning here in this school these industrial lessons, gaining this knowledge of how to make not only the rural school better but the rural life better, who aspire to the betterment of rural life; you who take the training as nurses as a part of your education; you are thrice fitted for the work as a teacher. For right in the future, the teacher-nurse will be the greatest factor in rural life, because such a teacher knows how to lead the people to care for their health. The teacher-nurse will first teach the people how to be good physical men and women. I believe this to be one of the greatest spiritual lessons we can learn, for the great Teacher went about healing the people as well as ministering unto them spiritually."

The largest number of visitors at any one time since last convention was about three weeks ago when Professor Tate, director of the Department of Pedagogy of Peabody Normal brought his class of fifty summer school students from Nashville. They came in time for dinner, which was eaten with evident relish with the school family. They inspected the work of our various departments and then had a round table discussion and quiz concerning methods of operation.

And this company came as a result of public reports given by another company of six or eight who came out three weeks earlier in the season. These first visitors were headed by Dr. John C. Calfee, president of the Normal and Collegiate Institute of Ashville, N. C., and was composed of teachers from Berea College, Ky., and other institutions who were hunting educational ideas. Dr. Calfee paid a very kind tribute to the institution when he said, "This has been to me one of the greatest days that I have ever experienced from the standpoint of educational ideas and theories. And the beauty of it is that you can put your theories in your hands; you can feel and use them, just as a carpenter handles the product of his labor. Dr. Sutherland says you are so simple out here. That is the beauty of it. You are finding a new path, you are pioneers. I have been studying and thinking ever since I came this morning, I shall go away thinking, and what I have learned today will be food

for thought for weeks to come. I have been strongly impressed with what I have seen in this institution."

True, not all our visitors are so complimentary; not all so quickly grasp the underlying principles of education which we are endeavoring to work out here. We are thankful, however, for the criticisms as well as for the words of commendation. We welcome inspection.

M. BESSIE DEGRAW, Faculty Secretary.

Alabama Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time

East 4:30

Friday, December 15

West 4:56

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE

Birmingham

Elder R. I. Keate	Mrs. H. M. Keate
Mrs. H. M. Newsome	Mrs. Elford
Mrs. W. McClure	Mrs. T. J. Hoskins
Miss Vinnie Goodner	Mrs. W. B. Garrigan
M. L. Wilson	Mrs. Joiner
Mrs. Hawkinson	Elder A. L. Miller
Mrs. E. E. Spencer	Mattie Goodner

Borden Springs

Hugh W. Jones

Montgomery

Elder J. F. Wright J. F. Dennis

Sheffield

Mrs. Mollie Miller

Long Island

Mrs. W. R. Tolman Mrs. E. W. Graves

Anniston

Mrs. C. E. Kelly J. H. Reams

Mobile

Mrs. Sarah Fowler C. P. Odell
C. G. Meyer

Gadsden

C. B. Norell

Conference

Mrs. O. P. Ivie R. E. Chapman

Mission

Huntsville

Classie Powers Bessie Powers
C. A. Powers Mary Townsend

Pensacola

C. A. Wilson

Mobile

Eliza Gardiner

Montgomery

Mrs. Fred Mills L. Frazier

Oakwood

Prof. C. J. Boyd Elder Bird

News Items

The leader of one of our churches in writing regarding the recent compilation sent out, showing the standing of each church in its foreign mission offerings, says, "I was much interested in that part of the letter in which you refer to our mission

offerings, and am very sorry our church is so much short." A great deal of interest seems to have been awakened in the churches.

Brother L. N. McAlpine writes that while he pledged \$5 to the Southern Junior College in Ooltewah, he wants to double his offerings, and sends in \$10 for this new school.

A very encouraging letter comes from Brother J. H. Reams, of Anniston. He states that although he has not had regular work for some time, yet his courage is good and he is glad to send in his tithe. Brother Reams is a member of the conference church in Alabama.

In a recent letter from Brother M. L. Wilson we learn that the following have decided to enter the colporteur work this coming year in Alabama: T. R. Battle, of Talladega; Mrs. M. F. Dilliard and Mrs. Corrine Green, of Mobile. These new colporteurs are all planning to work with "Heralds of the Morning." We welcome them to our ranks of workers.

The publishers notify us that they had printed up to November 17, 1,001,006 Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, and it will probably be necessary to run another edition to supply the demand. Of this number Alabama has used 6,775. This is 636 more than this conference used during the entire year 1915. We have a supply of these papers in this office ready to fill your orders by return mail. We ought to use 7,500 copies before December 31. Now is the time to get busy.

It is hard to forget the South after living in it for some time, and those of our people who have been in Alabama remember the work in this State very kindly, even after leaving for other parts of the Lord's vineyard. A very encouraging letter has been received from Sister M. E. Anderson, a member of the Silverhill church, who is now located in Chicago that her children may have the advantages of our Swedish school.

Kentucky Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 4: 14

Friday, December 15

West 4: 45

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE CHURCH

J. P. Salmon

HENDERSON

Mrs. A. T. Bom

BEE SPRINGS

W. H. White

FORD

Genevieve Robert R. W. Harris

BOWLING GREEN

B. W. Brown Mrs. B. W. Brown

T. L. Bryant

DAVISVILLE

Mary Ramey Lytha Ramey

Halah Ramey

LOUISVILLE

Mrs. M. A. Ewald Mrs. C. Heinig

Mrs. S. D. Bossing Miss Anna Hornung

Mrs. Caroline Hornung Mrs. Anna Todd

LEXINGTON

Mrs. R. Eason Mrs. H. Steele

TRI CITY

W. H. White

What Will Our Record Be?

We are nearing the close of the year 1916. Soon it will have passed into eternity. As we look back over the work that has been accomplished by us during the past, are we satisfied with our record? Have we been faithful in giving the message to our neighbors and friends, or have we been neglecting our duty along this line? Have we done all in our power to build up God's work by paying an honest tithe? As I look over the treasurer's reports from the different churches, I find there are a number that have their names on the church record who do not pay tithe. This is a sad condition, and I am reminded that a curse rests upon the people today because they have robbed God. Malachi 3.

I quote from Vol. IX of the Testimonies, page 250: "The tithe is the Lord's, and those who meddle with it will be punished with the loss of their heavenly treasure unless they repent. Let the work no longer be hedged up because the tithe has been diverted into various channels other than the one to which the Lord has said it should go. Provision is to be made for these other lines of work. They are to be sustained, but not from the tithe. God has not changed; the tithe is still to be used for the support of the ministry. The opening of new fields requires more ministerial efficiency than we now have, and there must be means in the treasury."

The tithe is sacredly reserved by God for himself, and it is to be hoped that every Adventist in the conference will see to it that the last penny of tithe is paid before the record of 1916 has closed. Brethren, God is calling us to a higher plane of living; we must bestir ourselves and get ready for the coming of the Lord.

How about our mission offerings? Have we been faithful along this line and given all that it has been in our power to give, or do we know that before our record can be clear for 1916 we still should send in a good liberal offering? We as a conference have not raised our quota for missions, and I do hope that before the year closes God will impress the hearts of our dear people with the need of giving liberal offerings for missions. Will you please do all in your power to help us reach the goal before the record closes for this year?

Pay your tithe and offerings to your church treasurer unless you are isolated. If you are isolated rush your money in to the conference office so it can be counted and set to your credit before 1917. Let us all decide that we will begin the new year with a clear record! If you have given liberally to missions and think you have done your share, won't you help some of our poor widows by giving one more offering this year? God will reward you for doing your duty. B. W. BROWN.

Improved

You will hardly recognize the *Signs Magazine* when you see the January number. From now on its size and shape will be the same as the Harvest Ingathering special. This is the size that so many magazines have adopted and that has become so justly popular with the reading public. Here are some improvements that you will see: larger, brighter, better illustrated pages; one size smaller, easily read type; improved, interesting headings; more carefully prepared articles, shorn of every non-essential. New life is being infused into the *Signs Magazine*. You will say so when you see the January number.

Premiums with Subscriptions

Two premiums—"Questions and Answers" and Home and Health"—are now offered with yearly subscriptions to the *Signs Weekly* and *Signs Magazine*. "Questions and Answers" with either periodical at \$1.50; "Home and Health" with either one at \$2.50. Attractive proposition to agents who solicit subscriptions. Ask your tract society secretary about it.

Louisiana Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 4:53

Friday, December 15

West 5:20

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE

Mrs. Roy Clevenger (Baton Rouge)
Mrs. J. W. Swimm (Rayville)

LAKE CHARLES

Mrs. J. T. Ezell (Fullerton)

NEW ORLEANS

Elder J. A. Morrow	Mrs. V. Ordieres
Mrs. Emma L. Morrow	Elder C. N. Sanders
Mrs. J. B. Collie	Mrs. C. N. Sanders
Dr. A. K. Brown	C. B. Caldwell
O. R. Grantham	Mrs. Fred Cain
Mrs. J. P. Ulmer	Mrs. C. L. Ulmer

NEW ORLEANS No. 2

A. F. Schemell	E. Z. Schemell
Lucile C. Williams	Bonnett Nealy
Alene Harrell	Lou Ellen Smith
Elder C. G. Manns	Fanny Leary

SHREVEPORT

Elder W. P. McLennan	T. S. Sligh
Mrs. Winnie Miller	Mrs. W. P. McLennan.

SHREVEPORT No. 2

Lacotte Greene	Lucy McDonald
R. Roberts	

WELSH

T. S. Stegal	Mrs. T. S. Stegal
Mrs. C. A. Lantz	

Harvest Ingathering Report for 1916 to December 4

CONFERENCE

Church	1st Nine Months	Present Campaign	Total
Alexandria	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.55	\$ 2.95
Arcadia		.65	.65
Conference	1.05	44.66	45.71
Hammond	4.55		4.55
Hobart	5.50		5.50
Lake Arthur			
Lake Charles	3.00		3.00
Lena Station			
Mansfield Company	1.15		1.15
New Orleans	42.58	167.26	209.84
Ringgold			
Shreveport		10.00	10.00
Sugartown			
Welsh		5.60	5.60
MISSION			
Mission		1.00	1.00
New Orleans	9.80	105.31	115.11
Newellton			
Shreveport	1.60	16.10	17.70
Totals	\$70.63	\$352.13	\$422.76

The foregoing report gives the full amount received at the office on the Harvest Ingathering fund for the present year, including that which was received the earlier part of 1916 on our previous campaign, which is shown by the first column of figures. The second column represents the amounts received since the opening of the present campaign. The next few mails will doubtless bring remittances from several of the churches for their November donations, which cannot be reported in this issue of the WORKER.

Among those who have brought in the most this year might be mentioned Elder Morrow, of the New Orleans church, who has raised \$50; and Sister Clevenger, of Baton Rouge, who has sent in over \$30. The elder of the Shreveport church No. 2 reports that Lacotte Greene has reached her \$25.

There is but a very short time remaining before the close of the year, but if each one will apply himself diligently, much can be accomplished for the Lord. Means will be brought into the treasury for the spread of the gospel, many will be given a glimpse of a better life, and your own soul will be refreshed with a blessing from on high. If in need of more Harvest Ingathering Signs, they can be had by writing to the office.

C. B. CALDWELL.

Tennessee River Conference

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5 PER MEMBER

NASHVILLE

W. A. Harvey	M. F. Knox
R. L. Pierce	F. C. Bruce
F. E. Pfeiffer	Mrs. F. E. Pfeiffer
J. L. McConaughy	H. A. Varney
Paul N. Pearce	Mrs. Bessie McAlexander
Virginia Ritchey	Clarence Staggs
L. H. Wood	G. H. Curtis
Mrs. R. C. Gray	Lenna Simkin
Mrs. L. H. Wood	Mrs. J. G. Haggard
Elder W. R. Elliott	Mrs. Chas. P. Johnson
R. C. Gray	

NASHVILLE No. 2

J. G. Dasent	Francis Taylor
Hattie Hyde	Mrs. C. E. Dasent

JACKSON

Mrs. F. C. Hightower	Mrs. Ethel Holland
Mrs. Johnson	James Bellinger
Mrs. E. Howell	Mayme Hightower

SPRINGVILLE

Mrs. F. S. Parker	Mrs. I. M. Hamilton
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LANE

MEMPHIS No. 1

Mrs. George Garty

PADUCAH

Mrs. I. C. Pound	Mrs. T. S. Gordon
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TREZEVANT

Mrs. A. H. Jones	Elder C. N. Martin
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BON AQUA

MEMPHIS No. 2

Sydney Scott	Mrs. Fannie Scott
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HAZEL

Mrs. J. R. Kennedy	Claire Davis
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LAWRENCEBURG

Mrs. T. A. Graves

CONFERENCE CHURCH

William J. Keele

For Exchange

Brother H. M. Walen, of Fountain Head, has an extra copy of "Testimonies for the Church" Vol. II in the cloth binding, which he desires to exchange for a copy of Volume III. Any one willing to make this transfer please communicate with Brother Walen at the above address.

News Items

Elder Elliott is spending the week of prayer with the church at Springville, Tenn. He reports that the interest in the meetings is excellent and the attendance good.

Elder Bellinger is spending the week with the church at Hazel, Ky. He reports a splendid interest also.

Elder Wood, of the Memphis church, writes that the church work in Memphis is moving along nicely, and a number of influential people are inquiring about the truth there, some of whom are attending the meetings.

Elder Denslow is visiting the different meetings in Nashville during the week of prayer and states that there is a general desire on the part of the church membership to come onto higher ground in a spiritual way.

Brother Wheeler, the field secretary, has just recently visited Memphis, Jackson, Trezevant, and other churches in the western part of the conference and writes that the prospects are good for a large number of recruits for the colporteur work for 1917. He writes very enthusiastically in regard to the plans for the work next year and hopes to see Tennessee lead the union in book sales. He is accompanied on his trip by Brother J. W. Davis.

Sister Graves, of the Lawrenceburg church, writes that the company there are busy with the Harvest Ingathering work, and the members have had some good experiences in this work. We shall be glad to hear from others who have gone out in this work.

On the first of January the tract society and conference office will be removed to Room 322, Jackson Bldg., this city. All please take note of this change and address letters accordingly.

Can We Do It?

We have only a few days left in which to complete our Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Many wonderful things have happened since the campaign began, and many rich and precious experiences have come to the workers. A taste of what all might enjoy has been realized by many—yes, and this for the first time. We are watching with interest the progress of the effort, and the results in some of our churches are encouraging. Others have not finished out their assigned territory. We are very solicitous that this work be continued till the close of the year, and we urge every believer in the Tennessee River Conference to finish out his assigned territory and thus give every family an opportunity to read the special *Signs* and to make an offering to the work of God.

We have not reached our goal in this conference yet. We have a nice long list of names on the Honor Roll, and a few of the churches have more than reached their goal. By a little extra effort many more names could be added to the Honor Roll, and each church could reach its goal and thus make our conference goal. May we not depend on our people in Tennessee to lift a little harder and finish the work? Put forth one more strong effort. Let each one do a little more and help us raise the desired amount. "Throughout our churches there is to be a reconversion and a re consecration to service. This work can be accomplished only by the whole church acting their part under the guidance and in the power of Christ."—"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. 8, pages 46, 47.

May the Lord bless his people, and may the year 1916 close with a good and complete record in everything.

JAMES BELLINGER, Home Missionary Secretary.

Denominational Periodicals

At a recent General Conference Council in Takoma Park, D. C., a very substantial increase in price on all our denominational periodicals was recommended. The last four days the Board of Directors of the Pacific Press have been almost constantly in session, giving these perplexing problems attention.

The *Signs Weekly* is the missionary paper for the denomination and has been for many years, as you know. It should be at a price where our isolated members and churches everywhere can use it in large numbers. Hence the Board of Directors are very loathe to fix a higher price, the results of which might tend to place it beyond the reach of the members. We have, therefore, been working on the plan of standardizing all our publications in both the English and foreign languages, thus enabling us to use certain cuts and matter in the foreign papers that are used in the English. In this way we are able to reduce quite materially the cost of production.

We have decided to issue the weekly as an eight-page journal, the page the size of the Ingathering number, eliminating advertising, and to print in 8-point type with a reasonable number of illustrations. The same high grade make-up will be maintained, also the character of the articles will not be any less effective than heretofore. The paper issued in this form will contain nearly two-thirds of the matter of the sixteen-page paper. The same editors will have charge of it. It will be the purpose of the management to make this one of the very best missionary papers ever produced. The following very low prices will go into effect Jan. 1, 1917:

Single subscription, 12 months	\$1.00
Single subscription, 6 months .....	.60
Clubs of 5 or more to one address 12 months, each .....	.80
Clubs of 5 or more to one address 6 months, each .....	.45
Clubs of 5 or more to one address 3 months, each .....	.25
Clubs of 5 or more to different names and addresses, 12 months, each .....	.85
Clubs of 5 or more to different names and addresses, 6 months, each .....	.50
Clubs of 5 or more to different names and addresses, 3 months, each .....	.30

In harmony with the recommendations of the Council a slight advance will be made in the price of *Our Little Friend*. However, the increase in price will make up in part only the loss entailed by the advance in price of paper stock and other printing materials. The following are the prices of *Our Little Friend* to take effect with the first issue of January, 1917:

Single subscription, 12 months, each	\$.80
Single subscription, 6 months, each .....	.45
Clubs of 5 or more to one address 12 months, each .....	.70
Clubs of 5 or more to one address 6 months, each .....	.35
Clubs of 5 or more to one address 3 months, each .....	.25

We feel confident that our people everywhere will see the reasonableness of these advance prices on *Our Little Friend*.

The change made in the weekly is equal to a reduction rather than a raise, considering the matter that the eight-page paper will contain. At this very low rate it does seem that every church in the North American Division ought to have a good large club of this paper each week for the use of its members. Of course this action will necessitate our extending the time on subscriptions that have been placed at the rates now in effect.

The "Arithmetic Manual" outlining the use of "Stone and Millis Arithmetics" for grades four to eight, which has been prepared by Mrs. H. E. Osborn at the request of the Educational Department, is now ready; price 30 cents. Order of your tract society office.

An Exclusive Periodical

A Missionary Volunteer leader had worked hard to make her society a success. She studied the needs of the young people and tried to have such programs as would meet those needs. She worked out Bible studies in the small hours of the night, and had still others in mind.

One day a copy of the *Church Officers' Gazette* fell into her hands, and "in it," she said, "I found the very thing I was planning for and in a much better shape than I could possibly have prepared it. And then there were so many other things, such a richness of materials and suggestions, that it has lifted a great burden from my mind."

But this leader did not go to the other extreme and make the *Gazette* an excuse for doing nothing. She understood very well that the very best tool is of little value unless it is used wisely. She knew that such an excellent array of facts, illustrations, and suggestions must be assimilated by the individual before they can be properly presented, that much study and prayer are necessary to success.

Is your church making use of the *Gazette*? If not, why not? Is the General Conference Committee mistaken in thinking that such a paper should be published even though it does not meet expenses? Ministers, church elders, missionary secretaries, and Missionary Volunteer officers answer, "No, it is just what we need."

This is our one exclusive periodical. It is not meant for general circulation, but is for the classes mentioned above. It is published for the purpose of increasing the efficiency of our local church work. The elder, missionary secretary, and Missionary Volunteer leader and secretary should by all means have it.

It is perfectly proper to pay for the subscriptions out of the church expense fund, although many officers prefer to subscribe for themselves. It is 50 cents a year, or 35 cents when two or more copies are sent to one address. Order from your tract society.

M. E. KERN.

The January "Gazette"

With the January issue of the *Church Officers' Gazette* begins its fourth year of publication. This plan of a special paper for ministers, church elders, missionary secretaries, and Missionary Volunteer officers has proved to be a great blessing to our work. The paper has become an indispensable tool in the hands of these church workers for the successful accomplishment of their work.

Aside from the regular Missionary Volunteer programs, junior and senior, in the January number there are four articles which every Missionary Volunteer officer should read and study—"Senior Society Leaders," "Junior Society Leaders," "The 1917 Goal," "The Budget Plan."

Every church elder should not only take the *Gazette* himself, but should see to it that the Missionary Volunteer officers have it, for whatever pertains to the success of the young people also pertains to the success of the church.

Let subscriptions be sent in to your tract society at once, so as to begin the new year with the new plans and programs for 1917.

M. E. KERN.

A New Sabbath Card

On a little card which will easily go into an envelope, it is clearly shown by fifteen texts of Scripture that Sunday is not the Sabbath of the New Testament.

On the opposite side of the card more than thirty texts show that the seventh day always was, is now, and always will be the Sabbath. This card should be circulated by the thousands. Busy people will read it because it is short and to the point. Price, 50 cents per 100, postpaid.

Address C. P. Whitford, Orlando, Fla.

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending Dec. 2, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.	
U BracyBF,BS	41	1	\$ 1 50	\$ 3 10	\$ 4 60	\$23 00	
B D Crawford .BR	1					3 00	
H L Edwards . .BR	28	4	12 00	1 50	13 50		
R L Etheredge .BF	25	3	3 00	3 00	6 00	15 50	
H A LyndBR	57			7 20	7 20	33 00	
Q TewBR	7	6	18 00		18 00		
Totals (Agts. 6).	159	14	\$34 50	\$14 80	\$49 30	\$74 50	

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
B E Wagner . . .BR	32	22	\$72 00	\$	\$72 00	\$	
D E Lindsey . . .BR	43	8	24 00		24 00		
J O Wheeler . . .BF	24	10	40 00		40 00		
Hatton Ford . . .BF	26	31	39 50	3 67	43 17		
A Schroader . . .BR	41	16	49 00		49 00		
F PierceBR	38	13	45 00		45 00		
J MillerD&R	32	12	37 00	6 00	43 00		
Jeff Hickman . .BR				3 75	3 75	79 00	
Bibles			13 51		13 51	9 75	
Totals (Agts. 8).	236	112	\$320 01	\$13 42	\$333 43	\$88 75	

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
Elmer Chastain BR	23		\$	\$ 70	\$ 70	\$69 00	
Mrs Ida Harrel Misc.				5 95	5 95	16 25	
Perthia Hampton BF	20					9 00	
Hattie Jacob BM, CK	19	26	41 00	1 75	42 75		
AA Johnson HM, D&R	20			1 50	1 50	6 00	
LMcElroy* PPF, D&R	100			5 25	5 25	396 90	
E A TaylorBR	46			60	60	73 00	
Bibles						36 30	
Totals (Agts. 7).	228	26	\$41 00	\$15 75	\$56 75	\$606 45	

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
Jesse AllenGC			\$	\$35 00	\$35 00	\$387 00	
W J KeeleD&R	6	3	12 00		12 00		
M WheelerD&R	40			6 15	6 15	32 00	
WE Templeton† BR	40					130 80	
Bibles						9 75	
Totals (Agts. 4).	86	3	\$12 00	\$41 15	\$53 15	\$559 55	

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Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
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Kentucky Conference . .	16042 29	658 50	8325 78
Louisiana Conference . .	8842 80	119 90	6162 62
Mississippi Conference .	21478 52	1094 95	7656 50
Tenn. River Conference .	10029 70	911 84	4938 94
Totals	\$66096 51	\$3200 64	\$31109 29

Magazine Agents' Report for Week Ending
Nov. 2, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE			
Agent	No.	Value	
U. Bracy	2	\$ 20	
B. D. Crawford	4	46	
Totals	6	\$ 66	

* Two weeks.

† To correct last week's report.

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News Items

Elder S. E. Wight, Prof. Lynn H. Wood, Brother G. H. Curtis, and Brother M. F. Knox attended the constituency meeting of the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute at Madison, Tenn., Wednesday, December 6.

We are all interested in the Harvest Ingathering work in our own union just now. It might be interesting to note the enthusiasm that is being manifested in raising money for foreign missions by the Missionary Volunteers in west Australia:

"Last quarter some of the young men from our Darling Range intermediate school went out for a day's wood-chopping and earned \$19 for the day's work. This amount they gave in to help support our missionaries. The young ladies in their spare time made articles for sale, and in this way made over five dollars. This shows that these young people have their hearts in the work."

Prof. A. N. Atteberry, Mr. Bozarth, and Mr. Carlyle finished their work of loading the cars with the chattels given to the Southern Junior College by the Hillcrest School Wednesday night, December 6, and left Nashville for Ooltewah, Tenn., Thursday morning with three cars.

Atlanta Dairy Farm for Sale at a Bargain

There has been donated to the Southern Junior College, our new central training school for the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences, a good dairy farm in the edge of Atlanta, Ga. This farm is to be sold and the proceeds used in building up the new school. The farm is described as follows: twenty-two and one-half acres, twelve acres of which are good bottom land, about five acres up-land in small grain, and the rest in beautiful pine grove. Good three-room house, barn, well, splendid stream of running water. Twenty-minute walk to car line, church, school, and Curtis Sanitarium. A most healthful location. Just the thing for a family desiring to have church and church school privileges and yet live in the country. Suitable for dairy or general farming. Price \$4,850. Every dollar goes to the school. The money is needed now. Write the Southeastern Union Conference, 169 Bryan St., Atlanta, Ga., for particulars.

W. H. BRANSON.

Order the Morning Watch Calendar from your tract society. Price five cents per copy.

News Notes from Collegedale

The Missionary Volunteer program for Sabbath, December 2, had the general title of "The Seven Last Plagues." Four students spoke on various topics relating to this subject. Mr. Clarence Field spoke on "Come Out of Babylon." Miss Loa Shreve gave an interesting talk on "The Time of Trouble." Mr. Charles Cramer presented "The Seven Last Plagues." Mrs. Thorne spoke of "God's Deliverance of His People." The program was well prepared and given and was greatly enjoyed by the audience. A ladies' quartet consisting of Misses Alsie Grey, Masie White, Lettie Harold, and Grace Kelsey rendered a very pleasing selection.

Miss Sadie Rogers spent Sabbath and Sunday in Graysville visiting Miss Bernice Williams.

Brother Magee informs us that he has several jobs of printing to do for the local conferences. A quantity of new type has been ordered which will put our office in a situation to do even better work than it has been able to do.

Professor Thiel informs us that he is receiving constant inquiries from prospective students.

Mr. Mark Fulbright, of Cleveland, Tenn., visited the school Thanksgiving.

A telephone system is being installed in the various cottages and offices about the campus. When the installation is completed it will prove a very valuable aid.

Mr. Isaac Shockey, of Miami, Fla., arrived last week at the Southern Junior College.

Considerable work is being done about the dormitory and grounds cleaning out the fences and generally putting things right. It adds greatly to the looks of the place.

The plan of having school in the afternoon is proving very successful and is increasingly popular with both students and teachers.

Mr. Jesse Curtis and his sister, Miss Ella Mae Curtis, recently visited their mother, who was in Chattanooga.

Several parties of students have recently been guided through the cave by Professor Adams. They reported a very interesting trip and one that was well worth the effort.

A Seasonal Magazine

This is the time of year when people are victims of cold, la grippe, or pneumonia. In the January *Life and Health* there are five articles telling how to avoid "catching" these diseases, or what to do when they "catch" you. It is an excellent number to circulate now. Some one's life may be saved by reading January *Life and Health*.

Quantity rates remain the same as in 1916: Five to forty copies, five cents each; fifty or more copies, four cents each. Orders should be sent to the conference tract society.

Have You

Ever been at your wit's end to know how to give a quarterly review that is different from the last one you gave and the one before that, and the one before that?

Have you felt the interest in the reviews waning?

Have you noticed the older members as well as the children getting restless before you were half through?

Have you felt that the whole school would appreciate something new and out of the ordinary?

Have you wondered how you could have a pleasant and profitable surprise for the next time?

If you have, you are one that will appreciate the December number of the *Sabbath School Worker*, for it gives a review that is different from anything we have ever had. It touches every division in the school. The review includes — but there, we mustn't tell you now. Get the December *Worker*, and get it right away.